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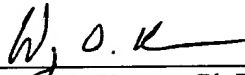
RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 3, 2003, Applicants hereby elect an oligonucleotide complementary to a portion of SEQ ID NO: 2 for prosecution. Applicant previously elected Group III (Claims 34-37 and 44-48) and canceled Claims 1-33 and 38-43.

Respectfully submitted,

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